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1. Prior to 5 February 1952, the barracks installation in Annaberg-Frohnau (H 51/K 73) quartered about 600 troops who wore black-bordered red epaulets and were armed with submachine guns, rifles and light machine guns. The unit included about 90 officers, 2 of whom were colonels. The unit maintained about 200 dogs and possessed about 15 trucks.
2. Prior to 5 February, the Mehnert Kaserne quartered about 1,000 troops who wore black-bordered crimson epaulets and were equipped with rifles and submachine guns. The unit had about 50 officers, including 1 colonel; about 10 dogs; and about 4 trucks. Security measures were intensified in early January, and seven additional sentries were posted at stationary posts inside the fence.
3. Prior to 5 February, the former boys' school was occupied by about 1,000 troops who wore red-bordered black epaulets and about 90 troops who wore black-bordered red epaulets. About 50 of the troops wore tank insignia and about 150, artillery insignia. About 30 officers were observed with the troops, and the ranking officer was a major. Approximately 25 dogs were kennelled in the installation. The unit had about four trucks.
4. Prior to 5 February, the barracks installation on Leninstrasse quartered about 800 troops who wore black-bordered crimson epaulets and were armed with rifles and submachine guns. The unit had about 60 officers, including 2 or 3 majors and 1 lieutenant colonel. It had 80 to 100 dogs and about five trucks. \*
5. Prior to 5 February, the military billeting area at the intersection of Hal-denstrasse and Schumannstrasse was occupied by 50 officers and about 200 troops who wore black-bordered crimson epaulets and were armed with rifles. In addition, about 40 Soviet officer families with children were billeted there. About 15 officers wearing gold epaulets, including some with a blue cap band, and about 20 soldiers wearing blue-bordered black epaulets arrived in the billeting area after early January. About 50 female officers wearing silver epaulets with green and red stripes arrived there between 1 and 5 February. These women officers were also seen walking to the Mehnert Kaserne. \*\*

25X1 \* 25X1 Comment. Previous reports by 25X1 indicate that the barracks installation in Frohnau houses the headquarters of an IGB regiment, and that the other three billeting areas house not more than one IGB battalion each. The considerably higher personnel strengths mentioned in the present report require confirmation. 25X1 Soldiers of Soviet Army units, who were also observed in the other parts of the

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uranium mining area, probably belong to motor transport units. [redacted]  
[redacted] If the low numbers of motor vehicles [redacted]  
of the present report are true, the Soviet Army personnel in Annaberg are  
more likely to belong to penal units than to motor transport units.  
\*\* [redacted] Comment. The military billeting area is mentioned for the first  
time.

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